

Town Talk

THE WEATHER.



West Virginia—Fair and not quite so cold tonight. Sunday fair and warmer.

Local Readings
F. P. Hall, Ob.
Temperature at 3 a. m. today zero.
Yesterday's weather snow; temperature, maximum 16; minimum 1; precipitation .02.

EVENTS TONIGHT

Normal School—Basketball. Normal vs Wesleyan College.

Willard Hall—Meeting of American Flint Glass Union.

I. O. O. F. Hall—Ladies of the G. A. Mead Circle No. 13.

Macabees Hall—Meeting of United Commercial Travelers.

Marriage Licenses—The following marriage license was issued today by the county clerk: George Harlow, aged 21, and Beulah Carpenter, aged 18, both of Riverdale. The father of Miss Carpenter gave his consent in person.

Today's Legal Transfers—G. C. Powell to P. J. Donahue five acres in Monongahela Industrial Co.'s addition to Fairmont; consideration, \$5,000. A. G. Martin to J. D. Arnett, 32 acres in Paw Paw district; \$4,250 (tax deed).

Off for Elkins—The Y. M. C. A. basketball five left bright and early for Elkins this morning, where this evening they meet D. & E. In view of the fact that D. & E. beat Wesleyan in this style last night, the game is sure to be a hard, fast played, interesting one. The following men accompanied Coach Bliskey on the trip: Moore, Reed, Arnett, Toothman, Ward, McClure and Hawkins.

May Go To Sunday School—No new case of infantile paralysis was reported during the past few days. Due to this encouraging report the city health board decided to lift the ban on the Sunday schools, which kept all children under 15 years of age from attending. The condition of each of the sufferers from the malady is said to be better than at any time since the first outbreak.

Patient Recover—Miss Opal Watts who had been a patient at Cook hospital returned today to her home on Ogden avenue. Mrs. M. E. Gump who had also been a patient at the hospital returned today to her home at Farmington. Mrs. Albert Clayton who was recently operated on at the hospital has recovered and returned to her home at Fairview today.

Left for Cadiz—Miss Geraldine Maple left this morning for Cadiz, Ohio, where she will be visiting for a few weeks.

Drill Tomorrow—The second regular drill of the newly organized headquarters company, First Regiment, National Guard, will be held tomorrow afternoon in the Armory. The company lacks but a few members of being recruited to full war strength.

Called to Wheeling—Mrs. J. Lee Parker was called to Wheeling today by the illness of her daughter, Mrs. Jack Lewis.

On Buying Trip—Tomorrow Simon D. Goodman, of the Underwriting store, will leave on a three weeks' buying trip which will take him to Pittsburgh, Baltimore, Philadelphia and New York.

Relief Contributions—Officially the Week of Mercy which was set aside for a special effort to secure funds for the relief of Jewish war sufferers will come to an end tomorrow but contributions will be received at any time by the local treasurer, Simon D. Goodman, or the Fairmont newspapers. It is the hope that at least \$10,000,000 will be contributed in this country for this fund during the present year.

Recruiting Officers Leave—Quartermaster D. C. Clark and Shipfitter M. Walsh, who for the past six days have conducted a branch recruiting office for the navy in the Post Office building will leave this evening for Clarksburg. William Herbert Crawford, who insisted here, has gone to central office at Pittsburgh where he will be signed up and sent to the Naval Training school at Rhode Island. Some idea of the rigidity of the examination may be had from the fact that of six fellows who applied Crawford was the only one who passed the physical examination.

Has Typhoid—Miss Mable Robey, a student in the Fairmont Normal school who has been ill for the past several days, was yesterday taken to the Cook hospital where she is being treated for typhoid fever. Miss Robey came here from Lumberport and is a member of the Senior Short Court class at the Normal.

Element of Mystery In Mine Shooting

Although Angelo Marrea at first denied the shooting of John Sansone, he now refuses either to deny or affirm it. Marrea as much as intimated that he was forced to go the shooting by several of the people with whom he at times came in contact. Just what he meant by this the officers are unable to understand unless they think he has been a member of an Italian society which has demanded that he kill Sansone. Sansone is convalescing rapidly.

GUARDING THE APPAM.
NEWPORT NEWS, Va., Feb. 3.—The coastguard cutter Yamacraw has gone alongside the German prize ship Appam and it is thought the German prize crew will be taken off immediately. Two torpedo destroyers have joined the superdreadnought Arkansas off the Virginia coast on emergency duty.

USE OLD NORMAL FOR HIGH SCHOOL DECLARE WOMEN

Woman's Club Adopts Resolutions to That Effect.

"Citizens in the Making" was the subject of a splendid address by Prof. Edwin A. Lee, of Pittsburgh, before the Woman's Club yesterday. The influence of the community at large, the church, and especially of the home upon the lives of the young people was especially emphasized by Dr. Lee who gave many interesting suggestions and helpful advice. Dr. Lee is a member of the faculty of Carnegie Tech Institute.

Miss Lillian Garrison, of Morgantown, a graduate of the State University School of Music, rendered several solos including "Eldorado" from Lullaby and "Herodrade" by J. Massonett. Miss Garrison was heard with pleasure by the audience. She has a rich contralto voice which is splendidly trained. She was rendered excellent piano accompaniment by Mrs. Minor Dunham.

Mrs. James A. Meredith, president of the club, presided at the meeting yesterday.

The club adopted a set of resolutions prepared by the Board of Management recommending action on the part of the Board of Education to secure the old Normal school building relative to converting it into a high school building, the present building being too small to accommodate the fast growing school.

At the conclusion of the program tea was served with the following hostesses: Mesdames John H. Hough, Jas. F. Fickinger, Rollo Conley and H. C. McKay.

COAL AND COKE SELLS COAL LANDS

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—Separation of large coal and railway properties in West Virginia heretofore owned by the Coal and Coke Railway company and the Davis Colliery company, was announced here today by C. M. Hendley, secretary of the Coal and Coke Railway. The Roaring Creek and Belington Railroad, formerly owned by the Davis company and leased to the Coal and Coke, has been acquired by the latter, of which Charles D. Norton, of New York, is the new president. Other officers are retained.

The West Virginia Coal and Coke company, of Elkins, a new corporation, of which John L. Kennerly, of New York, is president, will take over the coal lands and colliers of the Davis company and of the Coal and Coke Railway. The readjustment was effected mainly through the estates of the late Henry Gassaway Davis, Richard C. Kerens and Stephen B. Elkins.

TWO SMALL FIRES ON COLDEST DAY

While the mercury was trying to dig trenches in the bulb at the midnight hour the Central fire department was called to Bellview. It was difficult to say whether the wind or the fire engine siren made the louder sounds.

The firemen found the home of Walter Wick, of 111 Bellview avenue ablaze, the flames having eaten their way from the first floor to the basement at the same time coming through the weatherboarding. It was easily extinguished by the firemen upon their arrival. It was caused by a leak in a pipe line near the stove.

At 11 o'clock this morning a hot water heater in the basement of the home of W. T. Hartman on Benoni avenue exploded causing a call to the fire department. Mr. and Mrs. Hartman were near at the time of the explosion and were blackened by the soot but were uninjured. Just what caused the explosion could not be learned. The fire was put out with the chemicals from the fire truck.

TEMPERATURE HANGS AROUND THE ZERO MARK

High Wind Made Coldest Day Seem Colder Than It Was.

Today was the coldest day of the present winter, with the thermometer registering 3 below a little before day break on unofficial thermometers and holding practically at the zero mark during the day. A slashing swacking wind whipped and beat the air about to such an extent that the effects of the low temperatures was equivalent to about a ten degree below snap. A little before noon the mercury popped up a degree or so, but early in the afternoon started down again.

Judged by the performance of past Februaries, Fairmont can look for some still colder weather before March breezes blow. For the past thirty years there has been a day in February that has been one of the coldest of the year. The coldest was in 1890, when a temperature of 35 below was recorded. Twenty-two below came in February in both 1905 and 1914. Nineteen below and seven saw a day that was 23 below, and 1903 had one 19 below. The lowest February temperature for this section last year was 12 below, with Fairmont's lowest temperature on the 14 and 15 at -5 and -3 on the respective days. This day last year the lowest temperature was 15 above and the highest 24.

"Fair and warmer" says the weather man at Pittsburgh this morning, and since he so accurately predicted the present cold wave, the probabilities are that "fair and warmer" it will be.

The smaller creeks of the county are well covered with ice this morning, but the river seemed impervious to lowering temperatures. The warm weather of the past week warmed the water to an extent that would require a day or so of zero weather to cool.

INDUSTRIAL FAIRMONT

Companies of Bell telephone operators have been visiting the new building on Monroe street nearly every day. The operating department of the building is near enough finished so that they can get a very fair idea of what the completed structure will look like and they are all naturally curious.

D. R. Dawson, secretary of the Central District Coal Operators' Association, returned this morning from Baltimore where he had been in attendance at an important meeting of coal operators. None of the Fairmont district operators was represented.

Car supply for the past ten days to mines in the region, has made a decided improvement and it is the belief of local shippers and coal operators that this bettered condition is permanent. The lifting of embargoes in many quarters has resulted in cars being returned back onto the Baltimore and Ohio lines and will make available a great number of cars that have in the past few weeks been tied up. The percentage of supply the past two weeks has been about 60 per cent., as against 30 for the week before that and 40 the week preceding.

NELSON Monday

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TONIGHT The Magic Mirror; A Race With Death; Terrible Kate; Jones Keeps House.

FROST CHOKES GAS PIPES AND PEOPLE SHIVER

People on the East Side Were the Worst Sufferers.

With the drop in the thermometer this morning, gas pressure in the city mains took a slump and for a time several homes were practically without fuel. The traction company immediately called in every man from the field, drillers, pipe men, etc., and every available employee from every other department, and set them to work remedying this condition, which in almost every instance was caused by the forming of heavy frost, like that on windows, on the inside of the meters and small feed pipes effecting an almost complete stoppage of the flow.

First ward residents were the hardest hit, for because of the distance the gas must be carried, the pressure is much harder to maintain. Every factory was cut off, that every ounce of pressure might be available to turn into the fires which every resident in the city had going full tilt. The gas company officials suggest that any person who is burning an unnecessary fire, would be doing a service to the community by shutting it off. A complete compliance with this suggestion would have millions of feet of gas.

Plans were decided on this morning for the laying of a ten inch main across the river, replacing the six inch main now in place and effecting an increase of three times in the capacity of the main. This will be done as soon as weather permits and will make possible the maintenance of a much better pressure next winter.

That the local company was pulling harder on the field than any other company, was evidenced by the fact that their field pressure was five pounds against about 25 pounds by other companies.

A great effort is being made today to repair all the damages done by the cold, and to the best of the gas company's ability, furnish a satisfactory pressure. They urge that their consumers can be of great benefit to them in this way by reporting at once any difficulty in the pressure at the home. Sometimes when reported soon enough minor troubles can be repaired before they become serious.

Chiropractor Case Before Judge Vincent

Trial of the case of the Marion County Medical society against C. J. Ruley, chiropractor, was started in Intermediate court before Judge George Vincent today. Considerable interest is expressed in the case, which is brought under the statute forbidding the practicing of medicine without a license.

Judgment was returned this morning in the case of C. B. Frum against the city of Riverdale and Shelby Coogle for the sum of \$300, which sum Frum alleged was due him for the furnishing of materials used in a city contract.

NAVY PUTS BARS UP.
WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—No one other than officials and employees of naval yards and stations is to be admitted to such government reservations. Orders to this effect Secretary Daniels announced today had been issued and would be effective immediately.

CHILTON'S DEBT BILL PASSES THE SENATE

Measure Endorsed by Gov. Hatfield Now Has Good Chance.

(Special Dispatch to West Virginian)
WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—Senator Chilton's plan, endorsed by Governor Hatfield, in his recent message to the West Virginia Legislature, to have West Virginia raise the amount required to pay its part of the Virginia state debt through a suit against the United States, may yet work out.

The Senate last night passed Senator Chilton's bill to authorize the state to bring its suit in the Supreme court of the United States for the recovery of its proportion of the proceeds of sales of land by the government in what was designated the northwest territory and embracing what are now the states of Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin and Michigan and all of Minnesota east of the Mississippi river. This land was ceded to the union by Virginia on condition that the proceeds of the sales of lands therein should be apportioned among the several original states. This has not been done.

It is estimated that West Virginia's portion of the proceeds of such sales would approximate the amount of the state debt as ascertained by the Supreme court. Senator Chilton's bill was amended so as to authorize any state having a claim against the government to sue in the United States Supreme court, but this will not affect West Virginia's right to sue. Senator Chilton said last night he hoped to have the bill passed by the House in time to become a law before he leaves the Senate.

CENSOR AT WORK.
PETROGRAD, Feb. 3.—In an explosion on an ice breaker . . . persons have been killed by . . . injured. The number of casualties evidently has been stricken out by the censor.

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